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Proposal for a second international decade of the world's indigenous people

Note by the Secretariat

1. In its decision 2004/290 of 22 July 2004, the Economic and Social Council decided to transmit to the General Assembly for its consideration the following recommendation contained in the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its third session concerning the proclamation of a second international decade of the world's indigenous peoples, to begin in January 2005:

> "The Economic and Social Council recommends to the General Assembly that it declare a second international decade of the world's indigenous peoples after the conclusion of the current International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples in 2004."[1]

2. In the same decision, the Council also recommended that, in the course of its consideration, the General Assembly, inter alia:

(a) Identify goals for a second decade, taking into account the achievements of the first decade;

(b) Identify a coordinator that would coordinate the programme of activities of a second decade;

(c) Address the question of human and financial resources to be made available in support of the activities undertaken in the framework of the decade, including the possible continuation of the Voluntary Fund established by the General Assembly in its resolution 49/214 of 23 December 1994.

[1] See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2004, Supplement No. 23* (E/2004/43), chap. I, sect. A, draft decision V.

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